



FIRST
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
COLORADO SPRINGS

worship

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Welcome to First Lutheran Church!

Today, as since 1892, we welcome members and guests to glorify God and exalt his name.

NEW HERE? HAVE A QUESTION?

Visit the Welcome Center in the Gathering Place, just north of the Sanctuary. First-time visitors receive a special gift.

HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate Holy Communion at every worship service; all who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome at his table. To receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest. Our children celebrate First Communion in Grade 3. Earlier participation in communion is at the discretion of parents or guardians.

NEED HEARING ASSISTANCE?

Assistive Listening Devices are available and may be used with headphones or with a neck loop for T-Coil-equipped hearing aids. Please leave the devices in the Sanctuary after the service.

CHILD CARE

All ages are welcome in worship; our professionally-staffed child care center is, however, an option for young children during services. The center is near the elevator on the main level.

A PLACE FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

Our **Sunday School** program meets at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Children may be dropped off as early as 9:15 a.m. Adults are invited to join our quarterly Adult Education classes.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE

Following the worship service, please join us in the Gathering Place for coffee, treats, and fellowship.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Our newest service takes place at 10:15 a.m. in the Worship Center on the second level – a distinctively Lutheran approach to contemporary worship. During the sermon, **First Kids** is offered in the Fireside Room for children aged Preschool through Grade 2.

ONLINE WORSHIP: YOUTUBE

Never miss a service on our YouTube channel! Search for First Lutheran Colorado Springs and click SUBSCRIBE to be notified when we upload or stream new videos.

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The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

8, 9:30, AND 11 A.M.

PRELUDE

WORD OF WELCOME

Pastor The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Everyone **And also with you.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A moment for silent confession.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.



• Hymn found in the red hymnal



• Hymn found in the bulletin

OPENING HYMN 📖 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*



1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2. Crown him the Lord of love - be - hold his hands and side,
3. Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
4. Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n - ly an - them_ drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the__ strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing__ spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight, but down - ward
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died, e -
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise and



as thy match - less King thru all e - ter - ni - ty.
 bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 glo - ry shall not fail thru - out e - ter - ni - ty.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our eternal Redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

You may be seated.

READING: JOB 19:23 – 27a
In the black pew Bible · Page 416

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16:5 – 11

Please join in reading the psalm responsively.

Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

**The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

**because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.**

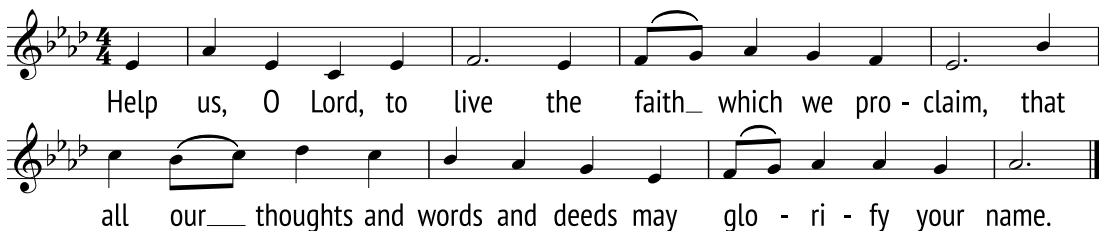
You make known to me the path of life;

you will fill me with joy in your presence,

with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Please stand for the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Help us, O Lord, to live the faith_ which we pro - claim, that
all our__ thoughts and words and deeds may glo - ri - fy your name.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 20:27 – 38

In the black pew Bible · Page 851

Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Luke,
the twentieth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord!

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

You may be seated.

SERMON: PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

Following the sermon, please stand for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY 📖 *Christ Has Prepared for Us a Place*

The hymn may be found on the next page.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE



1. Christ has pre - pared for us___ a place of joy as yet un -
2. A place where no dis - ease___ is found, no sin, no sick - ness,
3. A place where splen - dor meets the eye - a flow - ing riv - er,
4. A place where we shall see___ at last the Lamb of God up -



seen,___ un - heard, of glo - ry prom - ised by his
no___ de - spair; where light and life___ and love a -
fruit - ful trees, the ho - ly cit - y tow - 'ring
on___ his throne; his wounds are healed, his pain is



grace___ to all who take___ him at___ his word.
bound,___ for Love him - self___ is dwell - ing there.
high,___ and yet more glo - rious sights___ than these.
past,___ his peo - ple free,___ his vic - t'ry won!

We extend a special welcome to all who are new to First Lutheran today! Please text **GUEST** to **719.988.3524** to let us know about yourself.

If you already support First Lutheran, thank you! Gifts of any size make a difference to the ministries and outreach of our congregation. Scan the QR code, text **GIVE** to **719.988.3524**, or place your offering in the plate as it is passed.



You may be seated as the ushers come forward to receive our tithes, offerings, and commitment cards.

OFFERING MUSIC: *There Is a Higher Throne* by Keith and Kristyn Getty

There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb.
Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.

*Hear heaven's voices sing! Their thund'rous anthem rings
through emerald courts and sapphire skies; their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are
to God our King, who reigns on high forevermore.*

And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne;
we'll honor him in perfect song where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King; we'll reign with him.

Hear heaven's voices sing! ...

All glory to God, our King, forevermore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION: ONE NATION WALKING

PEACE

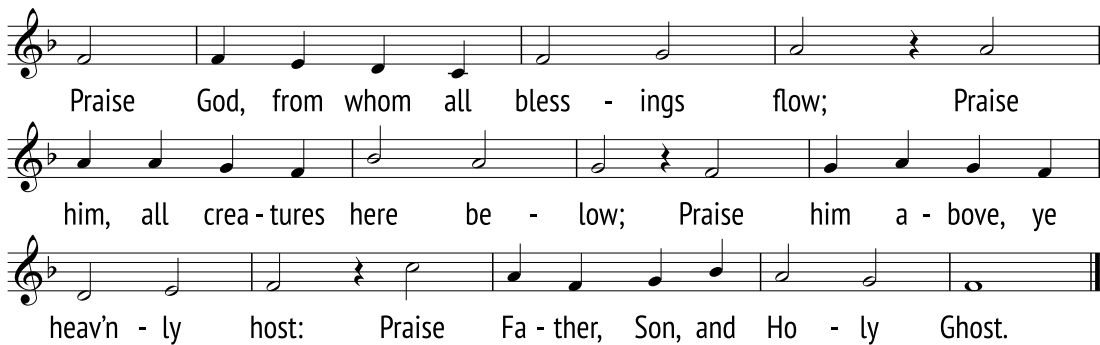
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please remain standing for the offertory.

OFFERTORY

The offertory may be found on the next page.



OFFERTORY AND COMMITMENT PRAYER

Father, we lift up these commitments to you and give them with grateful and cheerful hearts. Thank you for all that you have given us. Thank you for allowing us to be part of your generous work in the world. Bless these gifts and use them to advance your kingdom of love through the ministry of First Lutheran Church. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

The music may be found on the next page.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED

Come to the table for all is now ready.

Thanks be to God!

AT COMMUNION

- ✦ All who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome at his table.
- ✦ Please follow the lead of the ushers in going forward via the center aisle.
- ✦ Kneel as you are able, extend your hands, and allow the bread to be placed in your hand.
 Take either the wine or white grape juice from the center of the tray.

- + Place your empty glass in the tray and return via the side aisle.
- + Gluten-free wafers are available.
- + If you are unable to come forward, please alert an usher so we may serve you at your seat.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

 No. 465 *As the Grains of Wheat*

 No. 638 *Blessed Assurance*

Please stand for the blessing.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

 *Glorious Things of You Are Spoken*

The hymn may be found on the next page.

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE



1. Glo - rious things of you are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y
2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
3. 'Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and
4. Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I thru grace a



of our God! He whose Word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his
ter - nal love, well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the
mem - ber am, let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry



own a - bode. On the Rock of A - ges found - ed,
want re - move. Who can faint, while such a riv - er
Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner
in your name. Fad - ing are the world's vain plea - sures,



what can shake your sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's
ev - er will their thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the
light by night and shade by day, safe they feed up -
all their boast - ed pomp and show; sol - id joys and



walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
Lord, the Giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

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PEEL HOUSE HOLIDAY DECORATING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17 – FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 21, 10 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Volunteer and enjoy cookies and hot cocoa while decorating the Peel House together! Please register using the following link <https://bit.ly/4qFF-PN5> or call the church office at 719.632.8836.

DECK THE HALLS!

MAIN BUILDING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 AFTER 11 A.M.
SERVICE, LUNCH FOLLOWING

Decorating the fence and large evergreen tree.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 26, 10 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Decorating Inside Main Building. Your help is very much appreciated! Register here: <https://bit.ly/4qGHTjh>

THANKSGIVING AT FIRST

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, NOON
PEEL HOUSE

All are welcome! Bring a side to share. Doors open at 11 a.m. and we will eat at noon!

Altar Flowers ...

... have been given to the
glory of God and:



In loving memory of Michael Juris
by Jane Juris



In loving memory of Rose Eggum
by her family



IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS WHO ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE 2024 – 2025

*The Rev. Ralph Anderson

*Larry Arnold

Audrey Rose Battista

Beck Bechtelheimer

Matthew James Beichner

Kaye Brown

Janet Buchanan

Raymond Bultema

Larry Byers

James Callahan

Jean Casson

Benjamin N. Cerniglia

Carter Chavez

Mary Jane Cisco

Corie (Meyer) Davis

Rose Eggum

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Joel Heinecke

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Nancy Evelyn Hjelmstad

*Wendell Hjelmstad

*Carlin Kielcheski

Chris Kleine

Spencer Lehmkuhl

Kathy Lewis

Shirley Looney

*Robert Loudon

Ellen Zahn Mahler

James Francis Mahon

Cheryl Lee Meters Downs

Gary Miller

To err is human, to forgive divine ...

A number of names were mistakenly omitted from the lists in last Sunday's bulletin and this week's Ekklesia. Please accept our sincere apologies. This year's complete list is printed below.

Genevieve Derks Miller

Michelle Mingan

*Carol Palmen

Nathan Kenneth Paul

*Beverly Petersen

Villie Quinton

Bonita Rice

Dennis Robbins

Renato Rabelo Maia

*Erv Rokke

Valerie Ann Romano

Ruth Samuelson

Terry Satterwhite

Donna Scheu

Lila Schilling

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Craig Steensma

*Russell Stott

*The Rev. Peter Swan

*Arlyne Thomas

Sandra Volkert

Constance S. Weber

*Jody Wilbur

*Paul Wyant

* Members who entered eternal life over
the past year



Today at First Lutheran

Angel Tree Blanket Tying after Services, Gathering Place..... 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary 8 a.m.
Sunday Youth Group (Grades 6 – 9), Youth Center.....9:15 a.m.
Sunday School (Preschool – Grade 5), Fellowship Hall9:30 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary9:30 a.m.
Tech Support with Cheryl, Welcome Center10 a.m. and Noon
Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center..... 10:15 a.m.
Including First Kids (Preschool – Grade 2) in the Fireside Room
Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary 11 a.m.
New Member Class II: *Lutheranism 101*, Fireside Room..... Noon
Parish House Baroque Concert, Peel House3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHT

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORSHIP CENTER
DINNER 5:15 P.M. | SERVICE 6:30 P.M.

GENERATION TO REVELATION

FIRST LUTHERAN'S NEW PODCAST
FIND ON YOUTUBE OR OUR WEBSITE

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS
LUTHER HALL | 10 – 11 A.M.

Led by the preaching pastor for the week – come explore the Scriptures in an engaging small group setting.

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